## DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

744 P Street, Sacramento, CA 95814

February 28, 1985

ALL-COUNTY INFORMATION NOTICE NO. 1-22-85

TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS

SUBJECT: AB 3632 SURVEY: ESTIMATED COSTS BY COUNTY WELFARE DEPARTMENTS FOR OUT-OF-HOME CARE IN 1984-85

Assembly Bill 3632 (Chapter 1747/Statutes of 1984) assigns to specific agencies responsibility for out-of-home care and services for seriously emotionally disturbed (SED) children. Effective July 1, 1985, the State Department of Social Services will be responsible for administering the issuance of payments for out-of-home care costs for SED children who are not abused or neglected and are placed out-of-home pursuant to an individualized education program (IEP). AB 3632 creates a new Aid to Families with Dependent Children-Foster Care (AFDC-FC) category for SED children with IEPs.

In order to ensure sufficient funding for the SED population, the number of SED children currently in the AFDC-FC caseload and costs related to these children must be identified. Therefore, we are asking that you provide the information requested on the attached survey form by March 22, 1985. Send the completed survey form to:

Foster Care Program Management Bureau, MS 5-800 Department of Social Services 744 P Street Sacramento, CA 95814

If you have any questions, please contact Lisa Foster at (916) 445-0813, ATSS 485-0813.

ROBERT A. HOREL Deputy Director

Attachment

cc: CWDA

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Please provide the following information for the month of January 1985. Estimates of the total SED children population and costs for FY 1984-85 will be extrapolated from the information provided. (Definitions on reverse)

I. Report the number of court dependents or voluntary placements who are SED children with IEPs and are not abused/neglected but received AFDC-FC payments in January 1985. (I.e., those children who are likely to have dependencies dismissed or voluntary placements terminated and be served under the provisions of AB 3632):

State AFDC-FC	Federal AFDC-FC	Total #
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II. Report the number of court dependents or voluntary placements who are SED children and are not abused/neglected but received AFDC-FC payments in January 1985 and are likely to be referred to an IEP team for development of an IEP:

State AFDC-FC	Federal AFDC-FC	Total #
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III. Report the cost of funding out-of-home care through the AFDC-FC Program for children identified in I and II above:

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## DEFINITIONS:

Individualized education program (IEP): a written statement determined in a meeting of the individualized education program team defined in Section 56341 of the Education Code, which includes, but is not limited to, the specific educational instruction and related services required by the pupil.

Seriously emotionally disturbed (SED) child: a handicapped child who exhibits one or more of the following characteristics over a long period of time and to a marked degree, which adversely affects educational performance: (1) an inability to learn which cannot be explained by intellectual, sensory, or health factors; (2) an inability to build or maintain satisfactory interpersonal relationships with peers and teachers; (3) inappropriate types of behavior or feelings under normal circumstances; (4) a general pervasive mood of unhappiness or depression; or (5) a tendency to develop physical symptoms or fears associated with personal or school problems.